

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-8 are now pending in the application. The amendments to the claims contained herein are considered to be of at least equivalent scope as originally filed and, thus, are not a narrowing amendment. Basis for the amendments can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings as originally filed. No new matter has been added. The purpose of this Amendment is to remove multiple dependent claims to reduce filing costs. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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